City of Northampton Massachusetts

In City Council May 19, 2016
Upon the recommendation of The Community Preservation Committee

16.086 AN ORDER

To Use CPA Funds toward the purchase price of a house in Northampton up to eight units of housing & support service for unaccompanied homeless youth.

Ordered, that:

- WHEREAS, Friends of Hampshire County Homeless Individuals submitted an application for Community Preservation Act funding for the Housing for Homeless Youth project.
- WHEREAS, currently this population faces a gap in supportive housing services in Northampton and nearby despite being a high risk group.
- WHEREAS, the Western Massachusetts Network to End Homelessness has declared unaccompanied homeless youth a priority in its regional plan.
- WHEREAS, CPA funds will leverage up to \$475,000 of funds from other sources.
- WHEREAS, on April 20, 2016, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee, voted unanimously to recommend that \$275,000 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.
- WHEREAS, CPA funds will be used towards the purchase of the building, and operation will be turned over to an experienced service organization for management.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$275,000 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to Friends of Hampshire County Homeless Individuals for the Housing for Homeless Youth project for creation of 6 to 8 affordable housing units. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$150,000.10 is appropriated from the CPA Affordable Housing Reserve (account #2344930-359933) and \$124,999.90 is appropriated from the CPA Budgeted Reserve (account #2344930-359930).